**Grantee: Rhode Island** 

**Grant:** B-10-DF-44-0001

April 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2018 Performance Report



Grant Number: Obligation Date: Award Date:

B-10-DF-44-0001 11/10/2010

Grantee Name: Contract End Date: Review by HUD:

Rhode Island Submitted - Await for Review

Grant Award Amount: Grant Status: QPR Contact:

\$8,935,237.00 Active Laura Sullivan

LOCCS Authorized Amount: Estimated PI/RL Funds:

\$8,935,237.00

**Total Budget:** \$8,935,237.00

#### **Disasters:**

#### **Declaration Number**

FEMA-1894-RI

#### **Narratives**

#### **Disaster Damage:**

The flooding that occurred between March 12th and 30th 2010 (FEMA declaration DR-1894) was the worst in over 100 years in the State of Rhode Island, and was unprecedented in scale, ubiquity, and overall impact to the State. The disaster was caused by exceptionally heavy spring rainfall along the Northeast coast. Fully 16.32 inches of rain accumulated in Rhode Island in March, eclipsing the previous record of precipitation by more than an inch; more than 8.6 inches of rainfall over March 28-30th This downpour had two major effects on Rhode Island's physical geography:

- 1.) the Blackstone, Pawtuxet, Woonasquatucket, Pawcatuck and other rivers reached record heights and overflowed. The Pawtuxet crested at 20.79 feet, 11 inches above the 9 feet flood level.
- 2.) The month of rain had led to super-saturation of permeable surfaces, which led to not only a lessening of the effectiveness of watersheds and other river-flood mitigating features, but also to the pooling of non-river waters in low topographies and the seepage of ground waters into basements and foundations. The March 2010 disaster was widespread and delocalized, as flood damage occurred around multiple rivers and low-altitude points.

The flooding itself led to in excess of \$200 million dollars of damage, as conservatively estimated by the Governor's office, to Rhode Island infrastructure, homes and businesses. Multiple utility substations, including a major substation in Westerly, Rhode Island, were flooded, and more than 10,000 households lost power for multi-day periods. Sections of forty major arterial roads and highways were closed, with many incurring significant structural damage; sections of I-95 were shutdown for three days, restricting north-south movement in the State. Numerous bridges, dams and wastewater treatment plants were damaged to the point of requiring replacement or major structural repairs.

Several hundred Rhode Islanders were evacuated during the flood; over 25,000 applied for FEMA Individual Assistance related to disaster needs. Displaced and affected homeowners were disproportionately comprised of low income individuals (39%), according to the Preliminary Damage Assessment. Total damage to homes and individual property is estimated to have exceeded \$100 million.

Perhaps hardest hit were businesses in Rhode Island. Total disaster damage to businesses exceeded \$70 million. Most affected were areas around the Pawtuxet River, where the Natick business district and commercial corridor in West Warwick was submerged under 10 feet of water. More than 3,000 businesses statewide applied for SBA disaster assistance loans.

Intensifying these effects, especially in the business sector, was the already weakened Rhode Island economy. Rhode Island was hit particularly hard by the recession; unemployment at the time of the flood was 12.5%, almost 3.0 points above the national level, and the State budget deficit exceeded \$220 million. Both the damage from the flood, and the temporary and long term stasis and confusion the flood caused, have exacerbated the State's economic situation.

#### **Recovery Needs:**

Rhode Island is committed to a two tier Recovery Planning strategy, as reflected in the eligible activities under this Action Plan; Short Term strategies, to identify and address needs resultant from flood damage, and Long-Term strategies, to implement mitigation improvements and projects to lessen the destruction from similar disasters in the future. OHCD hopes to use CDBG-DR as the non-federal match to leverage funding for disaster recovery projects conducted by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), RIEMA, and other state entities.

Short and Long Term Recovery Strategies



Short term strategies are focused on 'making whole' effected individuals, businesses and municipalities. 'Short Term' projects funded or leveraged through CDBG-DR funds will include financial assistance to businesses which lost crucial assets or operating revenue as a result of the flood; assistance to individuals with eligible unmet need; repairs, rehabilitation and debris removal programs for effected private property; and assistance to municipalities for repairs to damaged infrastructure and the provision of public services necessary as a result of the flood.

Long term strategies are focused on improving Rhode Island's ability to cope with future disasters, and attempting to mitigate long term negative impacts through the strategic awarding of funds. Chief among these initiatives are the installation of hazard mitigation factors in conjunction with rehabilitation of infrastructure and residences affected by the March 2010 flood, and the use of CDBG-DR funds for leveraging the buyout of flood-zone properties by other state programs. In awarding funds, the CDBG-DR steering committee will also consider negative consequences that can manifest and increase in the long term, if specific disaster needs are not meet.

#### Leveraging Strategy

OHCD believes that coordination of all Disaster Recovery programs in the state is necessary to achieve the best possible result. OCHD has coordinated with RIEMA, to confer on joint funding of both Public Assistance (10% match requirement) and Hazard Mitigation projects (25% match requirement), and the USACE, to discuss match funding for large scale regional hazard mitigation projects. When Economic Development Agency monies, as mentioned in the Supplemental Appropriations Act-2010, become available, OHCD will incorporate this resource into the overall joint-funding strategy.

Fifteen municipalities and multiple state agencies have submitted applications. These 15 municipalities include the 5 most severely effected cities, and total damage and need among these municipalities is estimated to account for more than two thirds of the state total. The eligible activities and allocation amounts this Action Plan articulates were informed by these responses, as well as disaster and assistance data received from RIEMA, FEMA, SBA and HUD.

#### **Public Comment:**

The Rhode Island OHCD will post a draft action plan for the use of the funds, and any substantial amendment to the plan as described above, on the website for a period of not less than (7) calendar days; public comments will be accepted during this time.

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The Providence Journal

75 Fountain Street Providence RI, 02902

Providence en Español or 45 Meadow View Blvd. North Providence, RI 02904 North Providence, RI 02911 Pro

America News en Español 570 Broad Street, Suite 302 Providence, RI 02907

(online only) (print only)

All comments will be reviewed and incorporated into the draft plan for submission to HUD.

E-mail your comments toLaura.Sullivan@doa.ri.gov or mail your comments to:

Laura Sullivan, CDBG-DR Program Manager Office of Housing and Community Development One Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor Providence, RI 02908

Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$8,935,237.00
Total Budget	\$320,709.00	\$8,935,237.00
Total Obligated	\$325,948.47	\$8,935,237.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$18,259.91	\$7,916,146.24
Program Funds Drawdown	\$18,259.91	\$7,916,146.24
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$18,259.91	\$7,916,146.34
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$7,719,238.07



# **Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets**

Requirement	Target	Actual
Overall Benefit Percentage (Projected)		96.89%
Overall Benefit Percentage (Actual)		96.65%
Minimum Non-Federal Match	\$0.00	\$7,719,238.07
Limit on Public Services	\$1,340,285.55	\$0.00
Limit on Admin/Planning	\$1,787,047.40	\$1,074,581.88
Limit on Admin	\$446,761.85	\$415,406.36
Most Impacted and Distressed Threshold (Projected)	\$0.00	\$0.00

# **Overall Progress Narrative:**

This quarter, one activity was monitored. In May, non-substantial amendments were made to the published Action Plan. The Action Plan was then updated to reflect the new Bristol Tanyard Brook Culvert 2a activity #34 and match the published AP.

The State continues to provide a significant amount of technical assistance to grantees on an ongoing basis via telephone and email. OHCD has continued to work closely with West Warwick to move its project forward in a timely manner.

The increases to the overall amounts budgeted and obligated are largely due to new activity #34.

# **Project Summary**

Project #, Project Title	This Report Period	To Date	
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
1, Administration	\$9,225.52	\$446,761.00	\$415,406.36
2, Public Facilities and Improvements	\$0.00	\$5,244,886.24	\$4,718,632.45
3, Housing Rehabilitation	\$0.00	\$294,472.08	\$294,472.08
4, Economic Recovery	\$0.00	\$1,509,051.64	\$1,509,051.64
5, Property Acquisition	\$0.00	\$319,408.19	\$319,408.19
6, Planning	\$9,034.39	\$1,120,657.85	\$659,175.52



## **Activities**

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Project # / Title: 1 / Administration

**Grantee Activity Number:** 1a

Activity Title: State Administration

Activity Category: Activity Status:

Administration Under Way

Project Number: Project Title:

1 Administration

Projected Start Date: Projected End Date:

03/29/2010 09/30/2019

Benefit Type: Completed Activity Actual End Date:

National Objective: Responsible Organization:

N/A State of Rhode Island2

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2018	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$431,761.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$431,761.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$431,761.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$9,225.52	\$400,406.36
Program Funds Drawdown	\$9,225.52	\$400,406.36
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$9,225.52	\$400,406.36
State of Rhode Island1	\$0.00	\$0.00
State of Rhode Island2	\$9,225.52	\$400,406.36
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

#### **Activity Description:**

Activities were varied and related to the disasters which occurred in March, 2010. Activities range from infrastructure improvements, business assistance, residential rehabilitation and planning.

Budget increased by \$88,141 as a result of the transfer of activity delivery costs previously budgeted as local administration (Activity 1b) to non-admin activities, per guidance provided by HUD during June 2014 monitoring visit.

June 2015: Budget increased by \$44,319.44 as a result of the transfer of activity delivery costs previously budgeted as local administration (Activity 1b) to non-admin activities, per guidance provided by HUD during June 2014 monitoring visit.

November 2015: Budget increased by \$7,540 as a result of the transfer of activity delivery costs previously budgeted as local administration (Activity 1b) to non-admin activities, per guidance provided by HUD during June 2014 monitoring visit.



#### **Location Description:**

State offices are located at One Capitol Hill - 3rd Floor, Providence, Rhode Island. Local programs will be adminstered through local Town offices.

Disaster declaration was statewide. Activities funded are distributed throughout the State.

#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

This quarter, one activity was monitored. The Action Plan has been updated to reflect the new Bristol Tanyard Brook Culvert 2a activity. The State continues to provide a significant amount of technical assistance to grantees on an ongoing basis via telephone and email. OHCD has continued to work closely with West Warwick to move its project forward in a timely manner.

## **Accomplishments Performance Measures**

**No Accomplishments Performance Measures** 

#### **Beneficiaries Performance Measures**

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

## **Activity Locations**

No Activity Locations found.

## **Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail**

No Other Match Funding Sources Found

Other Funding Sources Amount

No Other Funding Sources Found Total Other Funding Sources

Project # / Title: 2 / Public Facilities and Improvements

**Grantee Activity Number:** 31

Activity Title: Shippee Avenue Green Infrastructure

**Activitiy Category:** 

Rehabilitation/reconstruction of a public improvement

**Project Number:** 

2

**Projected Start Date:** 

01/01/2017

**Benefit Type:** 

Area ()

**Activity Status:** 

Planned

**Project Title:** 

Public Facilities and Improvements

**Projected End Date:** 

12/31/2018

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:** 



## **National Objective:**

#### **Responsible Organization:**

Low/Mod

Town of West Warwick

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2018	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$200,305.32
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$200,305.32
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$200,305.32
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
State of Rhode Island2	\$0.00	\$0.00
Town of West Warwick	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

#### **Activity Description:**

Stormwater green infrastructure improvements to reduce the peak stormwater flow rate and runoff volume downhill of Shippee Avenue. Planned improvements include a bioretention basin, a linear bioretention basin on a roadway bump out, and a subsurface sidewalk storage system.

The area of Shippee Avenue and south to Washington Street had major flooding issues during the 2010 Floods. Streets, homes, and businesses all sustained damage due to flood waters. Fire Dept. records show a minimum of ten water/flood calls in this neighborhood during the 2010 Flood event.

#### **Location Description:**

Shippee Avenue neighborhood in West Warwick. Green infrastructure improvements to be installed along Shippee Ave and nearby streets to the north (uphill), to benefit Shippee Ave and nearby streets to the south (downhill).

#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

This quarter, procurement was completed, with 2 bids received. The low bid of \$1,212,587 exceeds the funds available. The Town submitted a CDBG application to request gap funding. At the end of the quarter, the CDBG application was under review by OHCD.

## **Accomplishments Performance Measures**

**No Accomplishments Performance Measures** 

#### **Beneficiaries Performance Measures**

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.



## **Activity Locations**

No Activity Locations found.

# Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

# No Other Match Funding Sources Found

Other Funding Sources Amount

No Other Funding Sources Found Total Other Funding Sources



**Grantee Activity Number: 34** 

Activity Title: Bristol, Tanyard Culvert 2a

**Activitiy Category:** 

Rehabilitation/reconstruction of a public improvement

**Project Number:** 

2

**Projected Start Date:** 

06/01/2018

**Benefit Type:** 

Area ()

**National Objective:** 

Low/Mod

**Activity Status:** 

Planned

**Project Title:** 

Public Facilities and Improvements

**Projected End Date:** 

12/31/2019

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:** 

**Responsible Organization:** 

Town of Bristol

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2018	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$325,948.47
Total Budget	\$325,948.47	\$325,948.47
Total Obligated	\$325,948.47	\$325,948.47
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Town of Bristol	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

#### **Activity Description:**

Phase 2A (the current proposed project) consists of replacing the existing culvert with a 3 ft x 8 ft box culvert from Richmond Street to Garfield Avenue. The culvert will provide long-term relief from flooding for most storms (up to and including the 10-year event), provide structural integrity, and will require minimal maintenance by the Town.

The Tanyard Brook Culvert Replacement Project was divided into two Phases and includes the replacement of the entire existing piped and stone-lined channel with a new concrete box culvert from the Reservoir to the outfall at Walker's Cove in the southern end of Bristol Harbor. Phase 1 work spanned from Garfield Avenue to the outfall in Bristol Harbor and was completed in 2014. Phase 2 work will span from the Tanyard Reservoir and culminate where Phase 1 work left off at Garfield Avenue. This grant supports Phase 2A from Garfield Avenue to Richmond Street.

See activity #4 for additional information.

## **Location Description:**

Between Garfield Avenue and Richmond Street in the Town of Bristol, Bristol County

## **Activity Progress Narrative:**

This quarter, OHCD executed a contract with the Town. Design and environmental review were previously completed. Construction procurement was completed this quarter. The lowest of the 6 bids received was awarded the contract.



## **Accomplishments Performance Measures**

## **No Accomplishments Performance Measures**

## **Beneficiaries Performance Measures**

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

## **Activity Locations**

No Activity Locations found.

## Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

**No Other Match Funding Sources Found** 

**Other Funding Sources Amount** 

No Other Funding Sources Found **Total Other Funding Sources** 

Project # / Title: 6 / Planning

**Grantee Activity Number:** 24

**Activity Title:** Johnston, Starr St. Flood Mitigation Study

**Activitiy Category: Activity Status:** 

**Planning** Completed

**Project Number: Project Title:** 

Planning

**Projected Start Date: Projected End Date:** 

08/01/2011 12/31/2015

**Completed Activity Actual End Date: Benefit Type:** Area ()

02/16/2018

**National Objective: Responsible Organization:** 

N/A Town of Johnston

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2018	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$15,605.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$15,605.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$15,605.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$15,605.00



Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$15,605.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$15,605.00
Town of Johnston	\$0.00	\$15,605.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

### **Activity Description:**

The purpose of the project was to conduct a flood mitigation feasibility study of an unnamed brook/wetland area between Venice Avenue and Starr Street. This area experienced significant flooding and road closures during the 2010 Floods. Changes to the flow conveyance of stormwater required permission (easements) from private property owners. The study assessed the legal, logistical, and environmental feasibility of flood mitigation measures in this area. As a result of this study, municipal flood mitigation measures in this area were deemed infeasible.

This activity is linked to canceled Activity #7, Johnston, Starr Street Drainage. Activity 7 was canceled and this activity as a result of the Town's determination Activity #7 was infeasible, due to the outcome of the environmental review and preliminary feasibility study.

OHCD expects to close out this activity in the next quarter.

## **Location Description:**

Census Tract - 125, Block Group 2 (3052 total people; 1580 (51.8%) LMI). Area bounded by Mill Street to the south, Venice Avenue to the west, Delucia Street to the east and Water Street to the north.

The project includes a segment of an unnamed brook which is tributary to Simmons Brook downstream to the Mill Street bridge. The Starr Street area is a mixed residential/industrial neighborhood that is typical of the development in the area.

## **Activity Progress Narrative:**

Close out date entered.

## **Accomplishments Performance Measures**

	This Report Period	<b>Cumulative Actual Total / Expected</b>
	Total	Total
# of Plans or Planning Products	0	1/1

## **Beneficiaries Performance Measures**

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

## **Activity Locations**

No Activity Locations found.



# Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

# No Other Match Funding Sources Found

Other Funding Sources Amount

No Other Funding Sources Found Total Other Funding Sources



**Grantee Activity Number: 30** 

Activity Title: URI, Scituate Reservoir Mit Model Recovery Plan

Activity Category: Activity Status:

Planning Under Way

Project Number: Project Title:

6 Planning

Projected Start Date: Projected End Date:

09/01/2016 12/31/2018

Benefit Type: Completed Activity Actual End Date:

Area ()

National Objective: Responsible Organization:

N/A State of Rhode Island2

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2018	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$275,000.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$275,000.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$275,000.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$9,034.39	\$113,517.67
Program Funds Drawdown	\$9,034.39	\$113,517.67
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$9,034.39	\$113,517.67
State of Rhode Island2	\$0.00	\$0.00
University of Rhode Island	\$9,034.39	\$113,517.67
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

## **Activity Description:**

Disaster recovery planning includes floodplain management measures through mapping, zoning/building code ordinance revisions, floodplain ordinances, drainage basin studies directly related to impacts of the disaster, infrastructure and engineering studies necessary for disaster recovery and mitigation, and updating building requirements. All planning activities must address needs/impacts resulting from the March 2010 disaster.

Funds may be used to develop new floodplain maps and to update and improve existing maps.

Disaster recovery planning activities must provide long-term utility.

August 2016: Funds have been awarded to the University of Rhode Island for the Scituate Reservoir Mitigation Modeling Project. This study will investigate the concept of retrofitting the Scituate Reservoir spillway at the Gainer Dam to determine if it is feasible to release water prior to large storm events to create storage capacity within the Reservoir and reduce downstream flooding along the Pawtuxet River. This study involves developing and/or integrating models of 1) Scituate Reservoir impacts on drinking water supply, and 2) downstream Pawtuxet River flooding. Spillway management at the Gainer Dam has the potential to negatively impact water supply, or safe yield. Therefore, this study is designed to identify opportunities for downstream flood mitigation via spillway management without adverse impacts on safe yield. The final report will include sections on data, technical information on the safe yield simulation model, safe yield analysis, scenario selection, and analysis of spillway management alternatives.

January 2017: Budget adjusted from \$274,242 to \$275,000 to match the contract amount. The original DRGR



amount was limited by pending minor budget adjustments to other activities in DRGR.

### **Location Description:**

Rhode Island communities/watersheds that experienced significant flood impacts during the 2010 Floods, such as damages to residential and commercial structures, infrastructure, natural resources, or public assets.

August 2016: The Scituate Reservoir and Pawtuxet River watershed, located in Providence and Kent counties.

#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

Data/Model Acquisition, initial model development and model verification on EXCEL and OASIS has been completed. As a part of continuing effort in developing inflow for ungagged watershed the team has used new approach (integrated watershed model) to calibrating watershed model. Reservoir outflow, elevation and over-spillway of 1971-2016 have been collected from Providence Water Supply Board (PWSB) and demand, inflow, outflow, landuse impacts and spillway scenarios are developed. Precipitation data from real gauge stations have also been collected from PWSB. Set up a Hydrologic model of soil and water assessment tool for 56 years (1960-2016) using reservoir module. Communicated with Hydrologics to get training and assistence on model runs/calibrations. Seepage loss and inconsistencies in Gainer Dam gage, controlled and uncontrolled release have been identified as major data need to complete the research. Seepage loss data received from PWSB. Mass curve analysis using ripple method and OASIS has been done for calculating safe yield of Scituate Reservoir. Scenarios are developed to emulate flood and drought. NFIP data has been collected from FEMA and RIEMA. Spillway scenarios were discussed with PWSB and a scenario is being developed.

## **Accomplishments Performance Measures**

**No Accomplishments Performance Measures** 

#### **Beneficiaries Performance Measures**

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

## **Activity Locations**

No Activity Locations found.

## Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

**No Other Match Funding Sources Found** 

Other Funding Sources Amount

No Other Funding Sources Found Total Other Funding Sources



**Grantee Activity Number: 33** 

Activity Title: Culvert Assessment and Resiliency Study

Activity Category: Activity Status:

Planning Planned

Project Number: Project Title:

Planning

Projected Start Date: Projected End Date:

01/01/2018 09/30/2019

Benefit Type: Completed Activity Actual End Date:

Area ( )

National Objective: Responsible Organization:

N/A State of Rhode Island2

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2018	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$300,000.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$300,000.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$300,000.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
State of Rhode Island2	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

## **Activity Description:**

Development of a technical manual and completion of a pilot study to assess the present and future extreme flood vulnerability of roadway crossing structures. The project aims to complete the following objectives:

1. Create a technical manual for state and municipal use containing methods for assessing flood risk vulnerability associated with culvert structures in Rhode Island which is consistent with RI Stormwater Manual. The result will be a prioritization of RIDOT/municipal management actions that address significant threats to the safety of the state transportation network imposed by adverse climatic events. The methods to be described in this technical manual are as follows:

Collection of relevant bridge/culvert structural, site, and other data

Evaluation of Existing Hydraulic Capacity

**Evaluation of Existing Streamflow Conditions** 

Evaluation of Flooding Impact Potential

Evaluation of Geomorphic Vulnerability

Evaluation of Aquatic Organism Passage

**Future Climate Assessment** 

Potential Disruption of Local Services or Emergency Response Routes

Development of Ranking System for Structure Prioritization

2. Apply recommendations in the technical manual and complete a pilot study in the Woonasquatucket River watershed, and provide a list of structures that are a priority for replacement due to the factors in Objective 1.

In March of 2010, flooding damage to state and town roads was documented throughout the state. A majority of



these damages were in the vicinity of undersized culverts. Without technical guidance on culvert risk assessment available, many of these culverts were repaired and/or replaced in-kind, without considering flood mitigation strategies. A technical guide on culvert risk assessment will result in future culvert investments that mitigate flood risk and increase the resiliency of state and local transportation assets.

## **Location Description:**

Statewide, with pilot application in Woonasquatucket watershed (primarily Providence County).

### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

Bi-weekly meetings on-going with consultant. Meeting with EC4 advisory board occured on 4/16/2018 with meeting minutes. First stakeholder meeting with staff representation from DEM, CRMC, RIEMA, municipal DPW's, and the League of Cities and Towns was held on 6/04/18 with meeting minutes taken. Meeting held with RIDOT GIS Division held on 6/12/18 to discuss data collection in manual. Sections 2 and 3 of technical manual in draft form have been commented on by stakeholders and edited so that they are close to completion in order to begin field work. Draft outlines of section 1 and 4-14 have been recieved and are in the editing process to be completed. Field work is set to begin mid to end of August for the Woonasquatucket Watershed Pilot portion of the project.

## **Accomplishments Performance Measures**

**No Accomplishments Performance Measures** 

#### **Beneficiaries Performance Measures**

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

## **Activity Locations**

No Activity Locations found.

## Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

No Other Match Funding Sources Found

Other Funding Sources Amount

No Other Funding Sources Found

**Total Other Funding Sources** 

# Monitoring, Audit, and Technical Assistance

Event Type	This Report Period	To Date
Monitoring, Audits, and Technical Assistance	1	20
Monitoring Visits	1	17
Audit Visits	0	0
Technical Assistance Visits	0	1
Monitoring/Technical Assistance Visits	0	2



Report/Letter Issued 0 17

